Central Baptist Church

ROLAND SMITH, Pastor

Valerie Hale City Manager City of Crossville

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Ms. Hale,

Central Baptist Church is currently developing a master plan for the expansion of our campus and have identified several needs which include additional buildings as well as added parking. During this process it became apparent that it would be necessary to close a portion of Shepherds Way to allow expansion of our campus and provide a safer environment for our congregants. We are in the process of designing and permitting a new parking lot on the opposite side of Shepherds Way, as parking is our most immediate need.

We have attached a sketch of the proposed modifications to Shepherds Way which would include a cul-de-sac at the end of the portion which will remain public. We will be asking the city to abandon the remainder of the street and return it to Central Baptist Church at the appropriate time during our expansion process. We anticipate a formal request within a year.

At that time, we will move forward with the proper procedure. After a discussion with the City Planning Department, we understand that a preliminary plat, showing the proposed new right-of-way for the cul-de-sac will need to be submitted and approved by the Crossville Regional Planning Commission before work may begin on the construction of the cul-de-sac. Once work is completed, a final plat will be submitted for approval. Once a final plat has been approved, the City Council could finalize the abandonment of the existing right-of-way of Shepherds Way.

Before we go through the official process of the request and invest the needed funds for platting and the eventual construction of the proposed cul-de-sac, we would like the city to provide some level of surety that our efforts would not be moot.

We appreciate your assistance with this proposed expansion. Please contact Rhonda Andrews with any questions.

Thank you,

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